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For: CULTURE MEDIUM FOR )  
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MICROORGANISM, AND )  
PROCESSES OF PRODUCING )  
UNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS )  
AND LIPIDS CONTAINING THE )  
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**REPLY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the RCE filed herewith and in response to the Advisory Action of June 11, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please add new claims 51-56 as follows.

51. (New) A process for producing unsaturated fatty acids selected from the group consisting of arachidonic acid, dihomo- $\gamma$ -linolenic acid, 5,8,11-eicosatrienoic acid and/or eicosapentaenoic acid, or a lipid containing them, which process comprises

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